



Mrs. Elnora Raines McDonald Watkins

September 10, 1929 - July 10, 2011

Mrs. Elnora Raines McDonald Watkins, 81, of Albany died Sunday July 10, 2011 at her residence.

The funeral service will be held at 11:00 AM Tuesday July 12, 2011 at Pine Bluff Baptist Church with interment to follow in the Providence Cemetery with Rev. Keith Smith officiating.

Mrs. Watkins was born in Turner County on September 10, 1929 to the late Lemuel Lloyd and Joe Alma Newell Raines and lived in Worth and Dougherty Counties most of her life. She was a homemaker who loved her family and enjoyed music. Mrs. Watkins was a member of Pine Bluff Baptist Church.

Survivors include children Raymond (Bubba) McDonald of Albany, Cynthia M. Strawder (Bert) of Sylvester, Connie M. Tucker (Burns) of Albany, Deborah M. Maxwell (Steve) of Sylvester, Sheila M. Roberts (Britt) of Sylvester, Pam M. Folmer (Shane) of Leesburg, brother Earl Raines of Sylvester, sister Grace Evans of Sycamore, 17 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. Watkins was preceded in death by her husbands Carl D. Watkins in March of 2010 and Willie G. McDonald on December 29, 1990.

The family will receive friends on Monday from 6:00PM until 8:00PM at Banks Funeral Home.

Sign our online registry at www.banksfh.com.

Banks Funeral Home in Sylvester is in charge of the arrangements.

229-776-2055

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Elnora Raines McDonald Watkins*

January 28, 2023 at 12:53 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss!
With our deepest sympathy.
The Gandy Brothers
Brandon and Skylar*

Brandon and Skylar - May 14, 2018 at 05:07 PM



“ *Dear Cynthia and family,
I'm so sorry to hear of the passing of your dear momma. I will
always remember her welcoming smile everytime I visited the music
hall, and the encouragement she gave all of us musicians. God
bless you all during this trying time.
With love,
Mary Ann*

Mary Ann Eason - May 14, 2018 at 05:07 PM



“ *"The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are
crushed in spirit."
Psalm 34:18*

*Thinking of the family,
Becky*

Becky Dent Robinson - May 14, 2018 at 05:07 PM

GB

“ So sorry to hear of your loss. I remember Ms.McDonald Watkins from the races back at the Old Albany Speedway. Sending Prayers from my family to yours.

Gena Burnham - May 14, 2018 at 05:07 PM

JD

“ dear Cynthia and Burt:
I am sorry to hear of your Mother's passing. I will always remember her and Mr. Carl Watkins with affection.

James W. Durst

James W. Durst - May 14, 2018 at 05:07 PM

DW

“ Love to all

Dolly Wingate - May 14, 2018 at 05:07 PM

KA

“ We extend our condolences. We wish we could be there.

Kayla - May 14, 2018 at 05:07 PM

ZC

“ NORA (MEE-MAW)WAS ALWAYS THERE WHEN YOU NEEDED SOMEONE TO TALK TOO AND TOOK ME IN HER FAMILY AS ONE OF HER OWN FRIENDS AND FAMILY SHE WILL BE MISSED BY EVERYONE NORA IS FINALLY HAPPY AND WITH ALL HER FRIENDS AND FAMILY IN HEAVEN MEE-MAW REST IN PEACE YOU WILL BE MISSED BY SO MANY LOVED ONES WE WILL ALL REJOICE ONE DAY

ZANE CHATTIN,JR - May 14, 2018 at 05:07 PM

GA

“ BUBBA & FAMILY, WE ARE SORRY FOR THE LOSS OF MS.NORA; SHE WAS SUCH A SPECIAL LADY TO US & OTHERS. YOU'LL ARE IN OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS. WENT BY TO SEE HER IN THE HOSPITAL WHEN CHRISTY SAID YOUR MOTHER WAS THERE, BUT YOU'LL WERE DISMISSED. WE WERE THERE WITH OUR MOTHER & LOST HER IN FEB. YOU'LL HAVE BEEN A BLESSING TO US IN THE PAST. LOVE YOU'LL!!!

GAIL & MIKE ALFORD - May 14, 2018 at 05:07 PM

BC

“ Cynthia, I am sorry to hear about the passing away of your mom...I just saw this on the internet. My thoughts and prayers to your family.

Ben and Billie Corley - May 14, 2018 at 05:07 PM